

**Comment on the proposed conservation of *Rosacea* Quoy & Gaimard, 1827 (Cnidaria, Siphonophora) and the conservation of *Desmophyes annectens* Haeckel, 1888 and *Rosacea plicata* Bigelow, 1911 (Case 3309; see BZN 61: 149–153)**

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I am writing in support of the application by Mapstone & Pugh. Use of the name ‘*Rosacea plicata*’ for the taxon known as *Desmophyes annectens* would cause considerable confusion and not serve the interests of nomenclatural stability.

**Comment on the proposed precedence of *Bolboceras* Kirby, 1819 (July) (Insecta, Coleoptera) over *Odonteus* Samouelle, 1819 (June) (Case 3097; see BZN 59: 246–248, 280–281; 60: 303–311; 61: 43–45, 110–114, 171–173; 62: 28–29)**

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In Jameson & Howden’s application (BZN 59: 246–248) as well as in the comment on Jameson & Howden’s application by Krell, Ziani & Ballerio (BZN 60: 303–311), a mistake was made regarding the gender of the generic name *Bolboceras* Kirby, 1819. This name is compounded by the stem *bolbo-* (from the Greek word *bolbós*, ‘bulb’) and ending stem *-ceras* (from the Greek word *kéras* — genitive *kératos* — meaning ‘horn’) for the bulbous apex of the clypeal horn. Gender of a genus is to be taken from the final component (Article 30.1.1) and *kéras* is neuter. Moreover, this ending is so common in generic names that it has been placed among the Examples of Article 30.1.2 for a neuter ending, an example overlooked by the above mentioned authors.

I therefore request that the proposals are modified as follows:

(2) to place on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology the following names:

(a) *Bolboceras* Kirby, 1819 (gender: neuter), type species by subsequent designation by Curtis (1829) *Scarabaeus mobilicornis* Fabricius, 1775, with the endorsement that it is to be given precedence over the name *Odonteus* Samouelle, 1819 whenever the two are considered to be synonyms.

**Comment on the proposal to remove the homonymy between CLIONIDAE Rafinesque, 1815 (Mollusca) and CLIONIDAE d’Orbigny, 1851 (Porifera) (Case 3211; see BZN 60: 99–102; 61: 167–169)**

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I oppose Willan et al.’s comments for nomenclatural (para. 1 below) and taxonomic (para. 2 below) reasons.